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## Governor Minner Recognizes Conflict Resolution Day in Delaware

Dover –Governor Ruth Ann Minner today signed a proclamation proclaiming October 14, 2008 as Conflict Resolution Day in the State of Delaware. Conflict resolution refers to a wide range of processes that encourage nonviolent dispute resolution. These include such techniques as negotiation, mediation, and arbitration to bring closure to conflicts in a nonviolent, non-confrontational manner.

"Conflict is inevitable, but having a way to solve a problem in a constructive way is so important. I want to thank those individuals who have taken it upon themselves to give their time and expertise to this effort", said Governor Minner.

Conflict resolution can be used to help resolve almost any type of dispute. Family mediators, for example, help people with divorce, custody issues, parent-child or sibling conflicts, elder care issues, family business concerns, adoption, premarital agreements, neighbor disputes, etc. Other types of conflicts that respond well to alternative dispute resolution include workplace disputes, labor/management issues, environmental/public policy issues, health care disputes, international conflicts, and many others.

Conflict Resolution Day is an effort begun by the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR) in 2005 to promote public awareness about conflict resolution and its many benefits. ACR has reached out to local, state and international groups to build interest in holding local celebrations in conjunction with Conflict Resolution Day.